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COMMANDANT NOTICE 1572

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Subj: FY98 RESERVE WAR AND STAFF COLLEGE COURSES

Ref: (a) Personnel Manual, COMDTINST M1000.6A

1. **PURPOSE.** This Notice announces Reserve War and Staff College courses available during FY98. It is intended for use by Reserve officers and commands handling applications.
2. **ACTION.** Area and district commanders, commanders of maintenance and logistics commands, commanding officers of headquarters units, and Assistant Commandants for Directorates, Chief Counsel, and special staff offices at Headquarters shall ensure compliance with the provisions of this notice.
3. **DISCUSSION.**
 - a. A panel will convene 18 June 1997 to consider Reserve officer applicants for graduate level war and staff college courses. Only one panel will meet to choose nominees for all FY98 courses. Enclosure (1) contains brief descriptions and class convening dates.
 - b. To ensure that the training received is effectively used, officers will not normally be considered for any War and Staff College course if they have attended another such course during the previous three years. Five years is required between attendance at Reserve Components National Security Courses (RCNSC). Attendance at any of these courses will preclude any other paid Active Duty for Training (ADT-AT) orders during the same anniversary year. Selectees who have already satisfied their annual training requirement and Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) members will attend in a nonpay status. Travel and per diem will be funded regardless of pay/nonpay status.
 - c. Updated information on Reserve War and Staff college courses is available on the internet at <http://www.dot.gov/dotinfo/uscg/hq/reserve/warstaff.htm>.

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4. PROCEDURES. Application packets shall be sent via the chain of command to arrive at Commander, Coast Guard Personnel Command not later than 26 May 1997 and shall include:

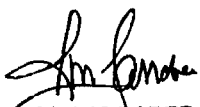
- a. A Request for Reserve Orders (CG-3453). Applicants are encouraged to apply for more than one course convening and shall rank order their choices on their request.
- b. A Reserve Officer Personal Resume (CG-5481).

5. RESPONSIBILITIES.

- a. Each applicant is responsible for ensuring their Headquarters Officer Evaluation Report (OER) file is current. This is best done by informing Coast Guard Personnel Command (rpm) directly if they have not received an official copy of any of their OERs within 90 days after the end of the reporting period in accordance with article 10.A.2c.(2)(g) of reference (a).
- b. The applicant's current reporting officer shall make a substantive endorsement which emphasizes the applicant's qualifications for the training, ability to operate at a postgraduate level, current performance trends, and future potential within the Reserve program. ISC commanders shall make the substantive endorsement for members assigned to the Active Status Pool. Any application missing an endorsement shall be returned to the applicant.
- c. ISC commanders, group commanders, or unit commanding officers shall:
 - (1) Inform eligible candidates of the contents of this Notice.
 - (2) Ensure ASP members and Individual Mobilization Augmentees (IMA) are included when disseminating this information.
 - (3) Limit endorsements to signature endorsements unless a recommendation is substantially different from that of the reporting officer.
 - (4) Forward applications through the chain of command in time to meet the 26 May 1997 deadline for receipt at CGPC-rpm.
 - (5) Perform OER rating chain duties in accordance with article 10.A.2 of reference (a) so the applicant's OER file is current.
- d. CGPC-rpm shall:
 - (1) Process applications for Reserve War and Staff College courses.

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- (2) Convene a selection panel which will make selections based upon criteria provided by G-WTR-1 and enclosure (1).
 - (3) Notify units and Commandant (G-WTR-1) of the results of the selection panel.
 - e. Commandant (G-WTR-1) will inform schools of the panel's results and act as a liaison between the students and the schools.
6. FORMS AVAILABILITY. Form CG-5481 can be accessed from Forms Plus Laser, Version 6.0 and on SWIII in Jet Filler. Form CG-3453 (SN 7530-00-F01-4260), unit of issue (PD), may be procured from Supply Center Baltimore.


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Encl: (1) Reserve War and Staff College Course Information

RESERVE WAR AND STAFF COLLEGE COURSE INFORMATION

1. **SENIOR RESERVE COMPONENTS OFFICER COURSE (SRCOC)** is conducted annually at the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA.

Description: A 6-day course focusing on war fighting at the operational level with particular emphasis on the current capabilities of our theatre forces. Reserve component officers lead scheduled discussions related to their respective component and participate in planning seminars which address active as well as Reserve requirements.

Eligibility/Quotes: Senior O-6 or above. 1 Quota.

Prerequisites: Top secret clearance.

Course Convening: September 1998

2. **RESERVE COMPONENTS NATIONAL SECURITY COURSE (RCNSC)** is conducted two times a year.

Description: A 12-day course consisting of National Defense University faculty presentations with question and answer periods; a political-military exercise, and executive health training. The faculty presentations include: National Security Policy Process, National Security and the Congress, Art of War Role of Intelligence Agencies, Regional Issues, Peace Operations, Elements of National Industrial Power, Resources and National Power, Force Planning, Mobilization, Defense Acquisition Process and Information Warfare. The political-military exercise provides an experience in national decision making that identifies and applies the instruments of statecraft to protect national interests. It calls for the application of a wide range of political, economic, military, diplomatic and social measures to advance national objectives - emphasizing joint and combined operations. Executive Health includes physical conditioning, blood chemistry analysis, Myers-Briggs Personality Inventory, stress management and diet and nutrition.

Eligibility/Quotas: O-4 to O-6. 3 quotas/convening. Personnel who have attended an RCNSC course in the last five years are not eligible.

Prerequisites: Secret clearance

Course convening: Anticipated convenings:

2-13 Feb 1998 - Washington, DC

13-24 Jul 1998 - Washington, DC

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3. **RESERVE OFFICER JOINT MILITARY OPERATIONS (RO/JOPS)** is conducted annually at the Naval War College, Newport, RI.

Description: An intensive 12-day course designed specifically to improve the ability of participating officers to employ military forces in joint and combined operational environments. Based on the seminar method of instruction, the course concentrates on the operational level of military activity across the entire spectrum of conflict from peacetime presence and lesser regional contingencies to coalition warfare and major regional contingencies. Course content includes study of the operational level of war, national military coalitions and alliances, service and joint doctrines, power projection, sea control, law of the sea, rules of engagement, capabilities and limitations of forces and weapons systems, and culminates in the development of a scenario-driven operations plan which is subsequently wargamed. The course will prepare officers to make or recommend sound military decision as commanders or staff officers. Detailed objectives include increased insight into: operational art, operational level of war, principles of war and coalition warfare; National military command structure and joint operational planning; International law and controls on the application of forces; decision-making through analysis and comparison of alternatives; and selection, allocation and tasking of joint and combined forces.

Eligibility/Quotas: O-4 thru O-6. 6 quotas.

Prerequisites: Secret clearance. First consideration will be given to those members filling deployable elements or Composite Naval Coastal Warfare Unit and Port Security Unit billets. Independent study and thesis paper must be completed before reporting.

Course convening: 14-25 September 1998

4. **RESERVE OFFICER STRATEGY AND POLICY (RO/S&P)** is conducted annually at the Naval War College, Newport, RI.

Description: A 12-day study of the complex interactions between a nation's political interests and goals, and the way military force has been and may be used to serve those interests and goals. The course content centers on the analytical study of war. It includes studying the works of Sun-Tzu, Clausewitz, Mahan and Corbett; an analysis of strategic choices made during various major historical conflicts; and an expression of opinions on recent wars and conflicts which may occur in the future. The objective of this course is to acquaint officers with the fundamentals of using war as an instrument of foreign policy from an historical and contemporary perspective, to demonstrate the perennial dilemmas facing statesmen and senior officers, and to explore the full range of

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options available to decision makers in the fields of policy and strategy. Students gain a broader understanding of the decision making process and enhance their capability to participate.

Eligibility/Quotas: O-4 thru O-6. 3 quotas.

Prerequisites: Secret clearance. Independent study and a thesis paper must be completed before reporting.

Course Convening: 20 April - 1 May 1998

5. RESERVE OFFICER NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION MAKING (RO/NSDM) is conducted annually at the Naval War College, Newport, RI.

Description: A 12-day executive development course focusing on contemporary national security thinking and its implication for structuring future military forces. Course content is drawn from changes in the national security environment, foundations of national security, competition for national resources, international institutions and collective security and various alternatives for downsizing. Specific attention is given to nuclear strategic mobility forces and reserve forces. Crisis response cases involving Lebanon and other contingencies are studied as guidelines for future use of military force. The course typically concludes with a resource constrained total force structure problem.

Eligibility/Quotas: O-4 thru O-6. 3 quotas.

Prerequisites: Secret Clearance. Independent study and a thesis paper must be completed before reporting.

Course Convening: 26 January-6 February 1998